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- 1. Considerable damage was done to Tallinn by bombs and fires during the war. Some of the main streets in the very center of the town were completely obliterated.
- Pelgulinn, formerly a new building site on the outskirts of Tallinn and before the war mainly inhabited by working-class people, has now become an important center. Large buildings are being erected and various government offices are gradually moving there.
- 3. The housing situation in Tallinn is almost catastrophic. In the center of the town, almost nothing has been built since the war, and the only work done was to clear away war ruins and set up numerous playgrounds, boulevards, green squares, and gardens. This, of course, does not help the housing problem, which is particularly aggravated by the fact that a great deal of living accommodation has been taken over by innumerable members of the Red Fleet and their families, who are now apparently living permanently in Tallinn.

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